

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) seek written and oral comments from interested persons on the development of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) to address multiple impairments in the Upper Appomattox River Basin and its tributaries. The subject stream segments are identified in Virginia's 1998 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report as impaired due to violations of the State's water quality standards for bacteria, dissolved oxygen and/or exceedance of nutrient. These impairments include: 40.85 miles on the Appomattox River; 5.5 miles on Spring Creek; 5.0 miles on Bush River; 1.54 miles on Sandy River; 7.35 miles on Little Sandy Creek; 4.98 miles on Marrowbone Creek; 9.94 miles on Briery Creek; 850 acres of Briery Lake; 3.82 miles on Horsepen Creek; 9.71 miles on Angola Creek and 9.08 miles on Saylers Creek. These impairments are located in Amelia, Appomattox, Buckingham, Cumberland, and Prince Edward Counties.

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and §62.1-44.19:7.C of the Code of Virginia require DEQ to develop TMDLs for pollutants responsible for each impaired water contained in Virginia's 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report.

The second public meeting on the development of the Upper Appomattox River TMDL will be held on **Thursday, November 4, 2003, 7:00 p.m.** in the Crawley Forum at Hampden-Sydney College, located in Hampden-Sydney, Virginia. Directions to the school and a map of campus are located on the web at <http://www.hsc.edu/visitors/> and <http://www.hsc.edu/map/>.

The public comment period for this phase of the TMDL development will end on December 4, 2003. A fact sheet on the development of the Upper Appomattox River TMDL is available upon request or can be viewed at the DEQ website at <http://www.deq.state.va.us/tmdl>. Questions or information requests should be addressed to Kelly Wills. Written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the comments and should be sent to Kelly J. Wills, Department of Environmental Quality, 7705 Timberlake Road, Lynchburg, Virginia, 24502, telephone (434) 582-5120, fax (434) 582-5125, or e-mail kjwills@deq.state.va.us.